

thing to do and I understand that. And that's what the exercise you went through here the last two days is pointing out the parts of the bill that isolating and making all of us vote on things we don't necessarily want to do and that's fine, as Senator Withem...I agree with him in what he says. You have to point out what it is going to cost to exempt all personal property and if you're not willing to pay the price, then you shouldn't be willing to let all personal property go off the tax rolls. But it's one of those things that always intrigues me. Once again, it's all these amendments, I mean, we've all got all the same calls in the last week about all the evils of 1120, of how bad it will be and while, you know, we're not necessarily for the 3-R plan many people said, but, boy, don't raise your place in revenue like that. I understand that but as expected, people introduced the amendments to...for very good reasons, very sound reasons to make sure those people are not harmed by this bill. I guess the thing that is amazing to me is that why is it that the body chooses not to listen to...you know the 3-R plan went on the road, went to six communities across the State of Nebraska and there wasn't, other than somebody from a county board or a school district, there wasn't one person that came to those meetings say put things back on the tax rolls, not one person came and said, go the direction the 3-R plan is going, go that direction. You had many taxpayers, farmers and city folks alike, I want to remind you, that came in there and said, if you're going to do it, do in sales and income tax, let's exempt all personal property. Last night many of us were...did a taping out at ETV and on public radio and what were the calls again there? I'm trying...and somebody can correct me if I'm wrong, but the only strong advocate of the 3-R plan was former Senator Vard Johnson. He's the only one. He, as opposed to the days when he was in here and did what he wanted to do and obviously he is paid to do what he is doing now and he does it very well. I have no problem with that. Once again, who were those people calling? Why are we going to ignore those people that are adamantly opposed to that. And the reason is that they are a relatively smaller number of people. Yes, they have a lobby and even with their lobby in many cases has said, well, I mean if that's what it has to be, let's just do it, but nevertheless I understand that. But it's one of those things I don't care if you adopt this amendment too. Let's adopt the committee amendments and then finally we'll start adopting amendments with 25 votes and that is what we should be doing instead of...and obviously the last one did finally get 25 but the amendment yesterday was adopted with a minority of the